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- c. Document being filed on behalf of Office of Public Counsel
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition for expedited approval of asset optimization incentive mechanism, by Tampa Electric

Company

Docket No.: 130024-EI

Date: June 4, 2013

<u>CITIZENS' REVISED RESPONSE TO TAMPA ELECTRIC</u> <u>COMPANY'S MOTION TO HOLD PETITION IN ABEYANCE</u>

The Citizens of the State of Florida, through the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC"), hereby file their Response to Tampa Electric Company's Motion to Hold Petition in Abeyance.

- 1. On January 23, 2013, Tampa Electric Company ("TECO") filed its Petition seeking approval of an "asset optimization incentive" program. TECO acknowledged that the proposal is modeled after the asset optimization program that the Commission approved as one component of a settlement package in Florida Power & Light's most recent base rate proceeding (Docket No. 120015-EI).
- At the April 25, 2013 Agenda Conference, OPC appeared in opposition to TECO's proposed asset optimization program.
- 3. Based on the discussion at the April 25, 2013 Agenda Conference, the item was deferred until the June 25, 2013 Agenda Conference. Given the time frame associated with the deferral, OPC apprised the Commission Staff by letter dated

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¹ Citizens objected to the approval of the settlement, which included FPL's asset optimization mechanism. Currently, the Final Order approving the FPL settlement is on appeal at the Florida Supreme Court.

May 16, 2013 (copy to TECO) of certain additional concerns that OPC has identified with TECO's petition.

4. OPC's position is that the program sought by TECO is fundamentally flawed. However, while reserving any and all objections to the program, OPC has no objection to holding the above docket in abeyance beyond the June 25, 2013 Agenda Conference.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Citizens' Response To Tampa Electric Company's Motion To Hold Petition In Abeyance has been furnished by U.S. mail and electronic mail to the following parties on this 4th day of June, 2013.

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